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The Honorable John L. McClellan, Chairman Committee on Appropriations United States Senate Washington, D. C. 20501

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The President, at Bill Colby's request, has reviewed his decision to include funding of the pear 1976 budget.

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The President feels that this program provides a vital intelligence collection capability and has asked me to convey the Administration's position to you.

Sincerely,

Henry A. Kissinger Assistant to the President for National Security Affairs

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